

HOUSE No. 684

By Mr. Rodrigues of Westport, petition of Michael J. Rodrigues
relative to assault and battery on health care providers. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ASSAULT AND BATTERY ON HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking
2 out in section 13I, as appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, and
3 inserting in place thereof the following section:—
4 Section 13I. Whoever commits an assault or assault and battery
5 on an emergency medical technician, an ambulance operator, reg-
6 istered nurse, registered nurse psychologist, physical therapist,
7 occupational therapist, or an ambulance attendant, while said
8 technician, operator, registered nurse, registered nurse psycholo-
9 gist, physical therapist, occupational therapist or attendant is
10 treating or transporting, in the line of duty, a person, shall be pun-
11 ished by imprisonment in the house of correction for not less than
12 ninety days nor more than two and one half years, or by a fine of
13 not less than five hundred nor more than five thousand dollars, or
14 both.